



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Wellington, et al

Serial No.: 09/841,447

Filed: April 24, 2001

For: IN SITU THERMAL PROCESSING
OF A HYDROCARBON
CONTAINING FORMATION USING
A NATURAL DISTRIBUTED
COMBUSTOR

§ Examiner: Unknown

§ Group Art Unit: Unknown

§ Atty. Dkt: 5659-01000/EBM

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions to make the above-referenced application special due to a joint inventor's age. As evidenced by the enclosed declaration of the joint inventor, George Stegemeier is over sixty-five (65) years of age.

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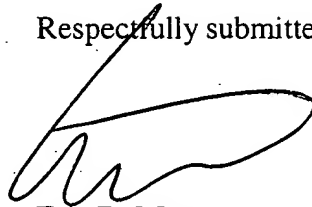
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